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Re:

Application of Jean-Louis PELLEGATTA

DEVICE FOR CARRYING PREFORMS COMPRISING IMPROVED GRIPPING MEANS

Assignee: SIDEL Our Ref: Q65499

Dear Sir:

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The following documents and fees are submitted herewith in connection with the above application for the purpose of entering the National stage under 35 U.S.C. § 371 and in accordance with Chapter II of the Patent Cooperation Treaty:

☑ an English translation of the International Application.

 \square three (3) sheets of drawings.

The Declaration and Power of Attorney, Assignment, will be submitted at a later date.

It is assumed that copies of the International Application, the International Search Report, the International Preliminary Examination Report, and any Articles 19 and 34 amendments as required by § 371(c) will be supplied a figure of the International Bureau, but if further copies are needed, the undersigned can easily provide them upon a figure of the International Bureau.

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

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 Base Fee
 \$860.00

 Multiple Dependent Claim Fee
 \$270.00

TOTAL FEE \$1130.00

A check for the statutory filing fee of \$1130.00 is attached. You are also directed and authorized to charge or credit any difference or overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.492 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

Priority is claimed from February 18, 1999 based on French Application No. 99/02586.

Since August 18, 2001 (30 months from the priority date) fell on a Saturday, the submission of these papers on Monday, August 20, 2001, is sufficient for National Stage Entry.

Respectfully submitted,

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